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A garment engaged in a sound-reducing state includes a first garment portion formed with a sound-absorbing material and configured to surround a wearer's head and ears to form a substantially enclosed reduced-sound zone, when the first garment portion is engaged in a sound-reducing state. The garment also includes a second garment portion operable with the first garment portion, for example, where the first garment portion is a hood and the second garment portion is the body of a hooded sweatshirt. In the sound-reducing state, the sound-absorbing material reduces an amount of sound passing through the sound-absorbing material into the substantially enclosed reduced-sound zone.

